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Examining Board of Physical Therapists and Athletic Trainers

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: EXAMINING BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND

ATHLETIC TRAINERS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: January 23, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Price, Board President, Professional Member Angela Smith, Vice President Professional Member Prameela Kaza, Public Member Mary Mundrane-Zweiacher, Professional Member Joan Couch, Professional Member Amy Blansfield, Professional Member Kimberly Lewis, Professional Member Andrea Godfrey, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Schweizer, Professional Member Monique Johns, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Karen Carn, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT

Douglas Palmer Jeffrey M. Rosa, Managing Director of Post Licensure Services Nancy Kirsch, FSBPT President of Board of Directors

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Price called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 24, 2017. Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve the minutes of October 24, 2017 as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Re-review and approval of minutes – September 26, 2017

The Board reviewed the minutes of the September 26, 2017. Ms. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mundrane-Zweiacher, to approve the minutes of September 26, 2017 as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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Petition to Lift Suspension Hearing – Douglas Palmer

Ms. Kaza made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to amend the agenda to move the hearing of Mr. Douglas Palmer to the top of the agenda under review and approval of the minutes. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

The Board went on the record for the petition to lift suspension hearing for Mr. Douglas Palmer at 4:35 p.m. The Board introduced themselves for the record. Ms. Kelly stated the reason for today's hearing. Mr. Palmer's license was suspended and upon satisfying the terms and conditions placed upon him from West Virginia and Virginia he has formally made his request to have the suspension lifted and his Physical Therapy license reinstated. Mr. Palmer is before the Board to show reason why the Board should reinstate his license. Mr. Palmer presented documents to the Board in which Ms. Kelly entered them as follows:

Board exhibit 1 Request for reinstatement of his license

Board exhibit 2 Hearing notice

Board exhibit 3 Physical Therapy Board final order 14-05-11

Board exhibit 4 Virginia order reinstating Mr. Palmer's license

Board exhibit 5 West Virginia order reinstating Mr. Palmer's license

Board exhibit 6 Continuing education certificates

Mr. Palmer was sworn in and provided his testimony. The Board questioned Mr. Palmer. The Board went into deliberations at 4:42 p.m. The Board exited from deliberations at 4:45 p.m. Ms. Mundrane-Zweiacher moved, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to reinstate the PT license of Mr. Palmer. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Tabled Discussion: Interstate Compact – Jeffrey Rosa, Managing Director from FSBPT

Mr. Mangler briefly addressed the Board about his affiliation with Mr. Rosa of FSBPT. Mr. Rosa presented the Board with a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Compact License Privilege law. Topics included, Physical Therapy Licensure Compact, Alternate Approval Process, and Exam Licensure and Disciplinary Database (ELDD). Mr. Rosa discussed the benefits for the public as well as Jurisdictions.

The Physical Therapy Compact Commission is a national administrative body whose membership consists of all states that enacted the compact. The compact privilege is defined as an authorization granted by a remote state to allow a licensee from another member state to provide physical therapy services in the remote state under its laws and rules. Mr. Rosa noted that the Compact Privilege is a legal authorization to practice but not a license. In order for a therapist to receive compact privilege, the therapist must be licensed in their home state or primary residence in that home state; can have no encumbered licenses of any type; cannot have any disciplinary action within the last two (2) years; and must meet any jurisprudence requirement of the State in which the compact privilege is requested.

If a therapist is in violation of any of the rules and regulations, then home state action is limited to only the home state license; where as in the remote state, the action is limited to compact privilege in that state. The Compact Commission establishes the rules, bylaws and fees for the compact privilege. As of December 1, 2017, 14 states have adopted the compact privilege. Mr. Rosa noted that if Board members had additional questions they may refer to www.ptcompact.org for more information on the compact rules, bylaws, and upcoming meeting and minutes. There was no further discussion regarding the compact privilege.

Review of Draft Rules and Regulations for Early Licensing of Students

Ms. Godfrey moved, seconded by Ms. Mundrane-Zweiacher, to table the discussion until the January meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

<u>Tabled discussion: Review of Rules and Regulations for Foreign Educated Reciprocity Applicants,</u> Equivalency

The Board reviewed and discussed the drafted proposed rules and regulations. Pending a change from "must" to "shall" in Section 9.1.1 and 9.1.3.2 of the draft regulations, Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to publish the draft proposed rules and regulations. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. Ms.

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Kelly will publish the proposed rules and regulations in the Registrar of Regulations according to the Administrative Procedures Act and a public rules and regulations hearing will be noticed at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify PT/PTA/AT Applications by Examination

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Godfrey, to ratify the applications by examination listed below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

- 1. Priya Neema PT
- 2. James C. Lolli PT
- 3. Fnu Sonam Yangchen PT
- 4. Nicole Marie Korgeski PT
- 5. Neepaben C. Patel PT
- 6. Eleazar Barlis Severino PT
- 7. Tessa M. Gilson PT
- 8. Nicole A. Falasco PT
- 9. Cassie V. Wooters PT
- 10. Tejashree Limaye PT
- 11. Nilesh Chandrakant Gangan PT
- 12. Dave Sherwin Wong Woo PT
- 13. John Howard Dill, II PT
- 14. Vennila Thiruvengadam PTA
- 15. Pradeepkumar Amarnath Pande PT
- 16. Trevor R. Hirsch PT
- 17. Gouri S. Chitalapudi PT
- 18. Melissa Alyanna G. Lasig PT
- 19. Anne Marie Bautista Guillen PT

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Godfrey, to ratify the applications by reciprocity listed below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

- 1. Marv L. Stein AT
- 2. Meghan E. Joyce PT
- 3. Steven W. Crandall PT
- 4. Monica F. Lehman PT
- 5. Anita R. Wisniewski PT
- 6. Cory E. McMillen AT
- 7. Rebecca N. Abkowitz AT
- 8. Cathy L. Amberman PT
- 9. Shanda R. Jones -AT
- 10. Caitlin M. Flatley AT
- 11. Annette M. Willgens PT
- 12. Amy M. Hollenbeck PT

Review of Request(s) for Approval of Continuing Education Units

Ms. Mundrane-Zweiacher made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza to table review of the submitted Approval of Continuing Education Units listed below, until the next Board meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

- 1. Steve Horn Beebe Healthcare for course entitled: 2017 Orthopedic Education Session, .3 CEUs
- 2. PESI, Inc. course entitled: Self-Regulation in Children: Keeping the Body, Mind and Emotions on Task in Children with Autism, ADHD, or Sensory Disorders SEM#59653, .625 CEUs

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3. Diane Behnke

Brandywine School District for course entitled: MOVE: Basic Provider Training, 1.2 CEUs Therapy Services of DE for course entitled: OTD, OTR/L, .6 CEUs

4. University of Delaware - course entitled Delaware's 24th Annual Inclusion Conference, .45 CEUs

Re-review FSBPT Appeal for April Solon

The Board re-reviewed and re-considered the FSBPT appeal request submitted by Ms. Solon to take the exam one additional time. The Board determined that the documents submitted by Ms. Solon were not sufficient grounds for approval. Ms. Godfrey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to deny the FSBPT appeal request for Ms. Solon. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Status of Complaint (s)

There were no complaints before the Board for discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Godfrey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Couch, to table the review of correspondence for the below until the next Board meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Julie Moyer Knowles
Accelerated Care Plus Corp "ACP"

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

There was no other business before the Board for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. in the second floor Conference Room A, of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Kaza made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mundrane-Zweiacher, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Karen Carn

Administrative Specialist II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations